

Application No. 09/682,488

REMARKS

The Office Action of December 17, 2004 has been carefully considered. Reconsideration of this application, as amended, is respectfully requested. Claims 1-26 are pending in this application. Of these, claims 1, 25, and 26 are independent claims.

In the specification, this Amendment adds a patent application number and patent numbers that were not known at the time of filing.

In claims, this Amendment amends claims 1, 25, and 26 in view of the disclosure in references cited in the Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement submitted concurrently herewith. Support for these amendments is found in the Applicant's specification in paragraphs [0115 -0140].

No new matter is therefore believed to be introduced by these amendments.

1. Response to Objection to Specification

The Office Action, on page 2, objects to the specification because status information of related applications is missing. Applicant has amended the specification to incorporate the updated status information. Accordingly, this objection is believed to be overcome.

2. Response to Rejection Under 35 USC 102

The Office Action, on pages 2-11, rejects claims 1-15 and 17-26 under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Lamming et al., U.S. Patent No. 5,862,321 (hereinafter referred to as Lamming). Independent claims 1, 25, and 26 have been amended for the reasons set forth above.

In response thereto, Applicant respectfully submits that independent claim 1 as amended is patentably distinguishable over Lamming for setting forth the additional limitations not previously claimed. Specifically, claim 1, as amended, now recites the additional limitation that a document is selected using a web browser operating on a mobile computing device. Further, claim 1, as amended, recites the additional limitation that a web page received from a web server provides a list of document services that may be applied to the selected document. In addition, claim 1, as amended recites the additional limitation that a document service request is initiated by selecting a document service from the list of document services available

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on the web page, where a first parameter added to the document service request is the selected document, and a second parameter added to the document service request is device information identifying a type of output device. Finally, claim 1 recites that the parameters of the document service request are transmitted to a document server and a connection between the document server and the output device is controlled to transmit there between the selected document in a format suitable for the output device.

In addition, it should be noted that independent claims 25 and 26 contain the very similar limitations to those discussed above with respect to claim 1, and therefore the argument presented above with regard to claim 1 applies equally to independent claims 25 and 26.

Insofar as claims 2-15 and 17-24 are concerned, these claims depend from presumably allowable independent claim 1 and are also believed to be in allowable condition.

3. Response to Rejection Under 35 USC 103

The Office Action, on pages 11-12, rejects claim 16 under 35 USC 103(a) as being unpatentable over Lamming in view of Wang et al., U.S. Patent No. 6,493,551. This rejection is respectfully traversed. Since claim 16 depends from amended independent claim 1 that is believed allowable for the reasons set forth above, claim 16 is also believed to be allowable.

4. Conclusion

In view of the foregoing remarks, reconsideration of this application and allowance thereof are earnestly solicited. In the event the Examiner considers a personal contact advantageous to the disposition of this case, the Examiner is hereby requested to call Attorney for Applicant(s), Thomas Zell.

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